

**Amendments to the Drawings:**

The attached annotated sheets of drawings include changes to FIGS. 2 and 4 as follows.

FIG. 2 has been amended to remove the unnecessary reference indicators.

FIG. 4 has been amended by adding the reference indicator 395.

Attachment:   Annotated Sheets Showing Changes  
                  Replacement Sheets (Formal Drawings submitted herewith)

**REMARKS**

This Amendment After Allowance is presented for the purposes of improving the readability of the application. The amendments made herein are of a clerical, typographical or grammatical nature. It is submitted that the proposed amendments do not constitute such amendments to the drawings as would constitute new matter or would require reexamination. It is submitted that the present Amendment After Allowance places the drawings in better form for issuance of the patent. Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,  
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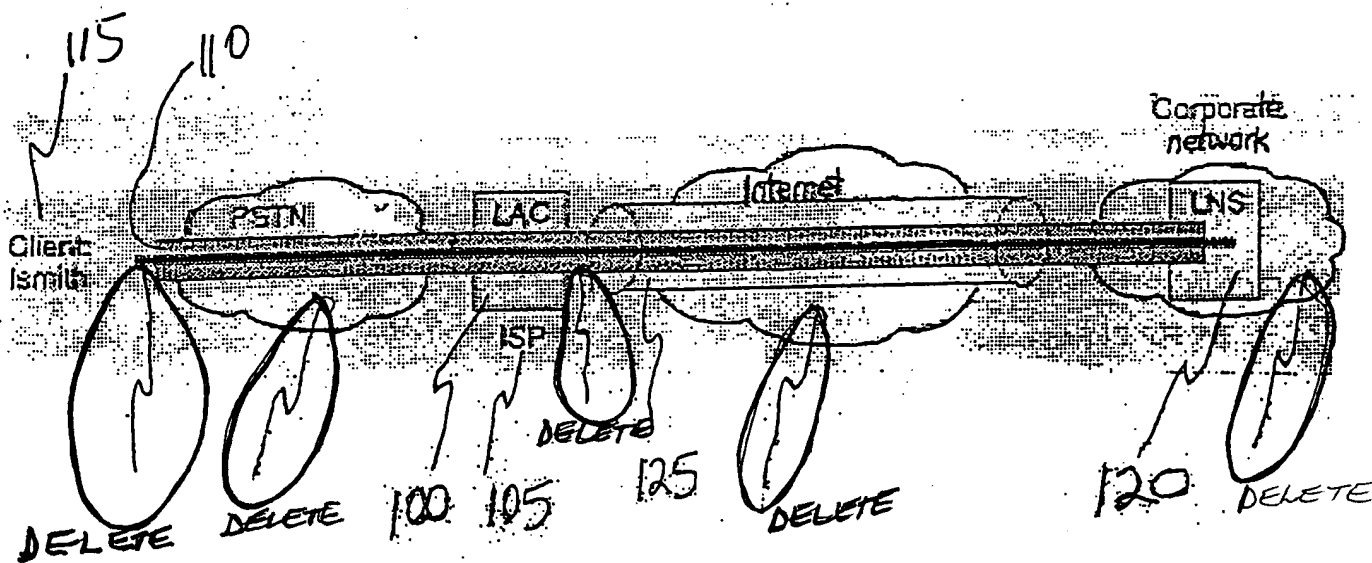


Fig. 2

The diagram illustrates a network architecture for a multi-path connection. On the left, a cloud labeled "PSTN/IDSN" is connected to three "Home Computer" icons. The cloud is connected to a central box labeled "ISP". Inside the "ISP" box, there are three "DSLAM" units and one "LAC" unit. The "DSLAM" units are connected to the "LAC" unit. The "LAC" unit is connected to a "WAN Tunnel" (represented by a shaded area). The "WAN Tunnel" is connected to a "Home Gateway" box. Inside the "Home Gateway" box, there is an "LNS" unit. The "LNS" unit is connected to a "Domain" box on the right. The "Domain" box contains four computer icons. Handwritten annotations include: "310" for the top Home Computer, "315" for the bottom Home Computer, "325" for the middle Home Computer, "330" for the PSTN/IDSN cloud, "335" for the connection between the cloud and the ISP, "340" for the connection between the cloud and the LAC, "345" for the connection between the LAC and the WAN Tunnel, "350" for the WAN Tunnel, "355" for the connection between the WAN Tunnel and the LNS, "360" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain, "365" for the top DSLAM, "370" for the middle DSLAM, "375" for the bottom DSLAM, "380" for the LAC, "385" for the connection between the LAC and the LNS, "390" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain, "395" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain, "400" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain, "405" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain, and "410" for the connection between the LNS and the Domain.

Fig. 4